

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE (Docket No. 1769 formerly 1589a)

In re the Application of:)
	Timothy Roscoe et al.))
) Group Art Unit 2134
Serial No.:	09/941,326)
) Examiner: Peter Poltoral
Filed:	August 29, 2001)
	,) Confirmation No. 6834
For:	METHOD AND SYSTEM)
	FOR COMMUNICATION)
	CONTROL IN A)
	COMPUTING)
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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Dear Sir:

Applicant expresses appreciation for the Examiner's allowance of the present application. Applicant understands that the Examiner has thoroughly examined the claims and prior art of record and has concluded that the prior art of record, whether considered alone or in combination, fails to disclose or suggest the entirety of each combination of steps and/or structure recited by each of the allowed claims.

In allowing the claims however, the Examiner stated "Applicant['s] invention is directed towards managing communication between involving a service component in a computing environment wherein a trustworthiness and criticality measure of service components determines whether the interconnection between the service components should be allowed." Applicant

believes that the Examiner made a mistake in characterizing Applicant's invention in this way because none of Applicant's claims include an element of wherein a trustworthiness and criticality measure of service components determines whether an interconnection between service components should be allowed. Applicant respectfully requests written notification if the foregoing characterization of Applicant's invention was not a mistake.

More generally, while Applicant believes that the claims are allowable, Applicant does not acquiesce that patentability resides in each feature, exactly as expressed in any particular claim, that each feature is required for patentability, or that patentability resides in any particular feature not recited in Applicant's claims.

Date: November 6, 2006

Respectfully submitted,

Steven J. Funk